

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Before Commissioners:

Robert G. Taub, Chairman;
Tony Hammond, Vice Chairman;
Mark Acton; and
Nanci E. Langley

Statutory Review of the System
for Regulating Rates and Classes
for Market Dominant Products

Docket No. RM2017-3

ORDER GRANTING UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR ACCESS

(Issued March 6, 2018)

On March 5, 2018, the Alliance of Nonprofit Mailers, Association for Postal Commerce, and MPA—The Association of Magazine Media (together, Joint Movants) filed a motion for access to the non-public version of Appendix A to the comments filed by the Postal Service in this proceeding on March 1, 2018.¹ The Joint Movants filed a similar motion on March 2, 2018.² That motion was granted by the Commission on March 5, 2018.³

¹ Unopposed Motion of Alliance of Nonprofit Mailers, Association for Postal Commerce, and MPA—The Association of Magazine Media for Access to Nonpublic Document, March 5, 2018, at 1 (Motion); see *also* Initial Comments of the United States Postal Service in Response to Order No. 4258, March 1, 2018, file “App A 10-year forecasts public.pdf” (Appendix A).

² Unopposed Motion of Alliance of Nonprofit Mailers, Association for Postal Commerce, and MPA—The Association of Magazine Media for Access to Nonpublic Document, March 2, 2018, at 1.

³ Order Granting Unopposed Motion for Access, March 5, 2018, at 2 (Order No. 4425).

The Postal Service states that Appendix A “contains two charts projecting the Postal Service’s losses and liquidity over five years, assuming the continuation of the current system or, alternatively, the addition of 2 percentage points of supplemental rate authority.”⁴ The Joint Movants state that the Postal Service relies on the redacted material in Appendix A for a central issue in this proceeding—to support its contention that it needs market dominant rate increases above the consumer price index for all urban consumers (CPI-U). See Motion at 2.

The Joint Movants request access on behalf of three individuals and state that these individuals satisfy the restrictions on access requested by the Postal Service. *Id.* at 2-3 (citing Application at 6). A Statement of Compliance with Protective Conditions is attached to the Motion along with certifications signed by each of the three individuals, acknowledging their agreement to comply with the protective conditions. Motion at 2-3. The Joint Movants state that the Postal Service does not object to the Motion. *Id.* at 1.

The unopposed Motion is granted, and the three individuals identified in the Motion are given access to the non-public version of Appendix A.

⁴ Notice of the United States Postal Service of Filing Non-Public Materials, March 1, 2018, at 1. The Postal Service incorporates by reference its prior application for non-public treatment filed in this proceeding. *Id.*; see also Comments of the United States Postal Service, March 20, 2017, file “App C G nonpublic treatment app.pdf” (Application).

It is ordered:

1. The Motion of Alliance of Nonprofit Mailers, Association for Postal Commerce, and MPA—The Association of Magazine Media for Access to Nonpublic Documents, filed March 5, 2018, is granted.
2. Effective upon the issuance of this Order, the three individuals identified in the Motion shall be granted immediate access to the non-public version of Appendix A to the Comments of the United States Postal Service, filed March 1, 2018.

By the Commission.

Stacy L. Ruble
Secretary